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Dernocritus deceiving themselves, iinawares destroy all generation of things out of one another, leaving a seeming generation only : for they say, that generation is not the production of any new entity, bat only the secretion of what was before inexistent ; as when divers kinds of things confounded together in a vessel, are separated from * one another. — Lastly, we shall confirm all this by, the clear testimony of Plutarch, or the writer De Placitis Philosophorum :[a] 'E^TrcSo/cX^/

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§£ *KOL <j>9opa,Q ov Kvpiwc;, ov yap* /card TTOIOV !£ aXXotw-/card Sc TTOCTOV *OVK* <njvaOf>oi<T|uov *ravrag yiveaOa^* Empedocles and Epicurus, and all those that compound the world of small atoms, introduce concretions and secretions, but no generations or corruptions properly so called ; neither would they have these to be made according to quality by alteration, but only according to quantity by aggregation. — And the same writer sets down the order and method of the Cosmopoeia, according to

EmpedocleS ;[b] 'Eju7re§oK:Xr}£> *rov* /i£vat0€pa fiijvai, Seure^ ov §£ ro Trvp, 8^' y *TYJV yrjv i^ ayav* julvTjc rjj *pvjLiri rrjg Trspujtopag, dvafiXvcrai ro* ifSw^o, £$ *ov 6v-fjLiaBrvai* rov dejoa, /cat *yGvivOai* rdv^uev *ovpavov* €/c rov'aiflc-

{>oc,rdv c?£ rfXtov e/c TTvpoc' Empedocles writes, thiat ether wa^ first of all secreted out of the confused chaos of atoms, afterwards the fire, and then the earth, which being constringed, and as it were, squeezed by the force of agitation,' sent forth war ter bubbling out of it; from the evaporation of

* Lib, i. c. xxiv. p. 884; oper. . [b] Lib. ii. cap. vi. p. 887.